# HUB SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (HSP)

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code §2161.252, the contracting agency has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under this contract. Therefore, all respondents, including State of Texas certified Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) must complete and submit this State of Texas HUB Subcontracting Plan (HSP) with their response to the bid requisition (solicitation).

# NOTE: Responses that do not include a completed HSP shall be rejected pursuant to Texas Gov't Code §2161.252(b).

The HUB Program promotes equal business opportunities for economically disadvantaged persons to contract with the State of Texas in accordance with the goals specified in the 2009 State of Texas Disparity Study. The statewide HUB goals defined in 34 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §20.13 are:

- 11.2 percent for heavy construction other than building contracts,
- 21.1 percent for all building construction, including general contractors and operative builders contracts,
- 32.7 percent for all special trade construction contracts,
- 23.6 percent for professional services contracts,
- 24.6 percent for all other services contracts, and
- 21 percent for commodities contracts.

#### - - Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements - -

In accordance with 34 TAC §20.14(d)(1)(D)(iii), a respondent (prime contractor) may demonstrate good faith effort to utilize Texas certified HUBs for its subcontracting opportunities if the total value of the respondent's subcontracts with Texas certified HUBs meets or exceeds the statewide HUB goal or the agency specific HUB goal, whichever is higher. When a respondent uses this method to demonstrate good faith effort, the respondent must identify the HUBs with which it will subcontract. If using existing contracts with Texas certified HUBs to satisfy this requirement, only contracts that have been in place for five years or less shall qualify for meeting the HUB goal. This limitation is designed to encourage vendor rotation as recommended by the 2009 Texas Disparity Study.

For assistance in completing the HSP, contact the HUB Coordinator, Bernadette Davis at  $\underline{\underline{bernadette.davis@dir.texas.gov}}$ .

| SEC  | TION 1 RESPON     | NDENT AND REQUISITION INFORMATION              |              |                           |
|------|-------------------|--|--------------|---------------------------|
| a.   | Respondent (Com   | npany) Name: Netsync Network Solutions         | State of T   | Texas VID #: 132003039800 |
|      | Point of Contact: | Diane Gonzales                                 | Phone #:     | 713-218-500               |
|      | E-mail Address:   | sales@netsyncnetwork.com                       | Fax #:       | 713-664-9964              |
| b.   | Is your company a | a State of Texas certified HUB? 🛛 - Yes 🔲 - No |              |                           |
| c.   | Requisition #:    | DIR-SDD-TMP-197                                | Bid Open     | Date: 19 / 18 / 2012      |
|      |                   |  |              |                           |
| Ente | er your company   | 's name here: Netsync Network Solutions Re     | equisition # | : DIR-SDD-TMP197          |

#### SECTION 2 SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS

After dividing the contract work into reasonable lots or portions to the extent consistent with prudent industry practices, and taking into consideration the scope of work to be performed under the proposed contract, including all potential subcontracting opportunities, the respondent must determine what portions of work, including goods and services, will be subcontracted. Note: In accordance with 34 TAC §20.11., an "Subcontractor" means a person who contracts with a prime contractor to work, to supply commodities, or to contribute toward completing work for a governmental entity.

- **a.** Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that identifies your subcontracting intentions:
  - \_ Yes, I will be subcontracting portions of the contract. (If Yes, complete Item b, of this SECTION and continue to Item c of this SECTION.)
  - $\boxtimes$  **No**, I will not be subcontracting <u>any</u> portion of the contract, and I will be fulfilling the entire contract with my own resources. (If **No**, continue to SECTION 3.)
- b. List all the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

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| Item # | Subcontracting Opportunity Description | Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have had contracts in place for five (5) years or less. | Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have had contracts in place for more than five (5) years. | Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs . |
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|    | Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted: | % | % | % |

(Note: If you have more than fifteen subcontracting opportunities, a continuation sheet is available online at http://window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-subcontracting-plan/)

| Enter yo | ur c | ompany's name here: Netsync Network Solutions Requisition #: DIR-SDD-TMP-197   |
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|          |      | - No (If No, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)   |
|          |      | <b>Yes</b> (If <b>Yes</b> , continue to SECTION 4 <u>and</u> complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for <u>each</u> of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)  |
|          | d.   | Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether the <b>aggregate expected percentage</b> of the contract you will subcontract with Texas certified HUBs with which you have had contracts in place with for five (5) years or less <b>meets or exceeds</b> the HUB goal the contracting agency identified on page 1 in the "Agency Special Instructions/Additional Requirements". |
|          |      | <b>No</b> (If <b>No</b> , continue to Item d, of this SECTION.)  |
|          |      | Yes (If Yes, continue to SECTION 4 and complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed.)   |
|          | C.   | Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be using <b>only</b> Texas certified HUBs to perform <b>all</b> of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.   |

### SECTION 2 SUBCONTRACTING INTENTIONS (CONTINUATION SHEET)

a. This page can be used as a continuation sheet to the HSP Form's page 2, SECTION 2, Item b. Continue listing the portions of work (subcontracting opportunities) you will subcontract. Also, based on the total value of the contract, identify the percentages of the contract you expect to award to Texas certified HUBs, and the percentage of the contract you expect to award to Vendors that are not a Texas certified HUB (i.e., Non-HUB).

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| Item # | Subcontracting Opportunity Description | Percentage of the contract<br>expected to be subcontracted<br>to HUBs with which you have<br>had contracts in place for<br>five (5) years or less. | Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to HUBs with which you have had contracts in place for more than five (5) years. | Percentage of the contract expected to be subcontracted to non-HUBs . |
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| Aggregate percentages of the contract expected to be subcontracted: | % | % | % |

SECTION 3 SELF PERFORMING JUSTIFICATION (If you responded "No" to SECTION 2, Item a, you must complete this SECTION and continue to SECTION 4.)

Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether your response/proposal contains an explanation demonstrating how your company will fulfill the entire contract with its own resources.

| Yes | (If Yes, in the space provided below list the specific page(s)/section(s) of your proposal which explains how your company wi |
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|     | perform the entire contract with its own equipment, supplies, materials and/or employees.)                                    |

□ - No (If No, in the space provided below explain how your company will perform the entire contract with its own equipment, supplies, materials and/or employees.)

#### **Procurement of Hardware:**

Netsync Network Solutions is a Cisco GOLD Reseller and a Hewlett Packard Procure partner. With these status' and the sales volumes generated the over past ten years, Netsync is able to purchase Cisco, Hewlett Packard and other products/services either through Information Technology distributors (such as Ingram Micro and Tech Data) or directly from the manufacturers.

Netsync is also authorized to sell Tripplite, Packeteer, Fluke Network, and many other communication and telecommunication hardware.

Netsync maintains large lines of credit for the products proposed in this RFO. This allows Netsync to provide both competitive prices to DIR customers as well as high availability if/when product availability is constrained through manufacturers. Netsync is able to procure all products proposed in this RFO.

#### **DBITS Services:**

Netsync has a Texas-wide team of professional services staff. The total number of technical staff in the State of Texas is 65+. This staff of professional services personnel includes (only noting those technical certifications relevant to this RFO):

Cisco CCIE, CCNP, CCNA

**HP** Certified

With this team, Netsync is able to support the entire product lines of Cisco Systems, Hewlett Packard's Procure, and other networking manufacturing line of products. Netsync is able to provide pre-sales support, design, deployment, support, training, and post-sales support for large scale projects for all possible projects and products being proposed in this RFO.

#### SECTION 4 AFFIRMATION

As evidenced by my signature below, I affirm that I am an authorized representative of the respondent listed in SECTION 1, and that the information and supporting documentation submitted with the HSP is true and correct. Respondent understands and agrees that, if awarded any portion of the requisition:

- The respondent will provide notice as soon as practical to all the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor for the awarded contract. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.
- The respondent must submit monthly compliance reports (Prime Contractor Progress Assessment Report PAR) to the contracting
  agency, verifying its compliance with the HSP, including the use of and expenditures made to its subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs).
  (The PAR is available at <a href="http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/progressassessmentrpt.xls">http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/progressassessmentrpt.xls</a>).
- The respondent must seek approval from the contracting agency prior to making any modifications to its HSP, including the hiring of
  additional or different subcontractors and the termination of a subcontractor the respondent identified in its HSP. If the HSP is modified
  without the contracting agency's prior approval, respondent may be subject to any and all enforcement remedies available under the
  contract or otherwise available by law, up to and including debarment from all state contracting.
- The respondent must, upon request, allow the contracting agency to perform on-site reviews of the company's headquarters and/or worksite where services are being performed and must provide documentation regarding staffing and other resources.

| Signature on File | Diane Gonzales | President | September 18, 2012 |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Signature         | Printed Name   | Title     | Date               |

| REMINDER: | > | If you responded " <b>Yes</b> " to <b>SECTION 2, Items c or d</b> , you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for <u>each</u> of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b. |
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|           | > | If you responded "No" SECTION 2, Items c and d, you must complete an "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for each of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b.                            |
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# HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)

| Enter your company's name here: Netsync Network Solutions Requisition #: DIR-SDD-TMP- | Enter your company's name here: | Netsync Network Solutions | Requisition #: | DIR-SDD-TMP-197 |
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**IMPORTANT**: If you responded "Yes" to SECTION 2, Items c or d of the completed HSP form, you must submit a completed "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method A (Attachment A)" for <u>each</u> of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in SECTION 2, Item b of the completed HSP form. You may photo-copy this page or download the form at <a href="http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/HUBSubcontractingPlanAttachment-A.doc">http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/HUBSubcontractingPlanAttachment-A.doc</a>

| SECTION A-1 | SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY   |
|-------------|--|
|             |  |
| Enter th    | ne item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for wh |

you are completing this attachment.

| Item #: | Description: |
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#### SECTION A-2 SUBCONTRACTOR SELECTION

List the subcontractor(s) you selected to perform the subcontracting opportunity you listed above in SECTION A-1. Also identify whether they are a Texas Certified HUB and their VID number, the approximate dollar value of the work to be subcontracted, the expected percentage of work to be subcontracted, and indicate whether the company is a Texas certified HUB.

| Company Name | Texas<br>Certified HUB | VID #<br>(Required if Texas<br>Certified HUB) | Approximate<br>Dollar Amount | Expected Percentage of Contract |
|--------------|------------------------|---|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|              | ☐ - Yes ☐ - No         |   | \$                           | %                               |
|              | ☐ - Yes ☐ - No         |   | \$                           | %                               |
|              | ☐ - Yes ☐ - No         |   | \$                           | %                               |
|              | ☐ - Yes ☐ - No         |   | \$                           | %                               |
|              | ☐ - Yes ☐ - No         |   | \$                           | %                               |
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**REMINDER:** As specified in SECTION 4 of the completed HSP form, if you (respondent) are awarded any portion of the requisition, you are required to provide notice as soon as practical to <u>all</u> the subcontractors (HUBs and Non-HUBs) of their selection as a subcontractor. The notice must specify at a minimum the contracting agency's name and its point of contact for the contract, the contract award number, the subcontracting opportunity they (the subcontractor) will perform, the approximate dollar value of the subcontracting opportunity and the expected percentage of the total contract that the subcontracting opportunity represents. A copy of the notice required by this section must also be provided to the contracting agency's point of contact for the contract no later than ten (10) working days after the contract is awarded.

# HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)

| Enter your company's name here: Netsync Network Solutions Requisition #: DIR-SDD-TMP-197  |
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| <b>IMPORTANT</b> : If you responded " <b>No</b> " to <b>SECTION 2, Items c</b> and <b>d</b> of the completed HSP form, you must submit a completed "HSP Good Faith Effort - Method B (Attachment B)" for <u>each</u> of the subcontracting opportunities you listed in <b>SECTION 2, Item b</b> of the completed HSP form. You may photo-copy this page or download the form at <a href="http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/HUBSubcontractingPlanAttachment-B.doc">http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-forms/HUBSubcontractingPlanAttachment-B.doc</a> |
| SECTION B-1 Subcontracting Opportunity  |
| Enter the item number and description of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION 2, Item b, of the completed HSP form for which you are completing this attachment.  |
| Item #: Description:  |
| SECTION B-2 MENTOR PROTÉGÉ PROGRAM  |
| If respondent is participating as a Mentor in a State of Texas Mentor Protégé Program, submitting its Protégé (Protégé must be a State of Texas certified HUB) as a subcontractor to perform the subcontracting opportunity listed in SECTION B-1, constitutes a good faith effort to subcontract with a Texas certified HUB towards that <u>specific</u> portion of work.  |
| Check the appropriate box (Yes or No) that indicates whether you will be subcontracting the portion of work you listed in SECTION B-1 to your Protégé.  |
| ☐ - Yes (If Yes, to continue to SECTION B-4.)   |
| - No / Not Applicable (If No or Not Applicable, continue to SECTION B-3.)   |
| SECTION B-3 NOTIFICATION OF SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY  |
| When completing this section you MUST comply with items a, b, c and d, thereby demonstrating your Good Faith Effort of having notified Texas certified HUBs and minority or women trade organizations or development centers about the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1.  |

Your notice should include the scope of work, information regarding the location to review plans and specifications, bonding and insurance requirements, required qualifications, and identify a contact person.

When sending notice of your subcontracting opportunity, you are encouraged to use the attached HUB Subcontracting Opportunity Notice form, which is also available online at <a href="http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-subcontracting-plan/">http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/hub-subcontracting-plan/</a>

Retain supporting documentation (i.e., certified letter, fax, e-mail) demonstrating evidence of your good faith effort to notify the Texas certified HUBs and minority or women trade organizations or development centers.

- a. Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1, to three (3) or more Texas certified HUBs. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must allow the HUBs at least seven (7) working days to respond to the notice prior to your submitting your bid response to the contracting agency. When searching for Texas certified HUBs, ensure that you use the State of Texas' Centralized Master Bidders List (CMBL) and Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Search directory located at http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement//cmbl/cmblhub.html. HUB Status code "A" signifies that the company is a Texas certified HUB.
- b. List the three (3) Texas certified HUBs you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the company's Vendor ID (VID) number, the date you sent notice to that company, and indicate whether it was responsive or non-responsive to your subcontracting opportunity notice.

| Company Name | VID# | Date Notice Sent (mm/dd/yyyy) | Did the HUB Respond? |
|--------------|------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
|              |      | 1 1                           | ☐ - Yes  ☐ - No      |
|              |      | 1 1                           | ☐ - Yes  ☐ - No      |
|              |      | 1 1                           | ☐ - Yes ☐ - No       |

c. Provide written notification of the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1 to minority or women trade organizations or development centers to assist in identifying potential HUBs by disseminating the subcontracting opportunity to their members/participants. Unless the contracting agency specified a different time period, you must provide your subcontracting opportunity notice to minority or women trade organizations or development centers at least seven (7) working days prior to submitting your bid response to the contracting agency.

A list of trade organizations and development centers that have expressed an interest in receiving notices of subcontracting opportunities is available on the Statewide HUB Program's webpage at http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/mwb-links-1/

d. Enter the name of the minority or women trade organizations or development centers you notified regarding the subcontracting opportunity you listed in SECTION B-1. Include the date when you sent notice to it and indicate if it accepted or rejected your notice.

| Minority/Women Trade Organizations or Development Centers | Date Notice Sent (mm/dd/yyyy) | Was the Notice<br>Accepted? |
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|   | 1 1                           | ☐ - Yes ☐ - No              |
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# **HUB Subcontracting Opportunity Notification Form**

In accordance with Texas Gov't Code, Chapter 2161, each state agency that considers entering into a contract with an expected value of \$100,000 or more shall, before the agency solicits bids, proposals, offers, or other applicable expressions of interest, determine whether subcontracting opportunities are probable under the contract. The state agency I have identified below in Section B has determined that subcontracting opportunities are probable under the requisition to which my company will be responding.

34 Texas Administrative Code, §20.14 requires all respondents (prime contractors) bidding on the contract to provide notice of each of their subcontracting opportunities to at least three (3) Texas certified HUBs (who work within the respective industry applicable to the subcontracting opportunity), and allow the HUBs at least seven (7) working days to respond to the notice prior to the respondent submitting its bid response to the contracting agency. In addition, the respondent must provide notice of each of its subcontracting opportunities to minority/women trade organizations or development centers at least seven (7) working days prior to submitting its bid response to the contracting agency.

We respectfully request that Vendors interested in bidding on the subcontracting opportunity identified in Section C reply no later than the date

| Section A  | PRIME CONTRACTOR'S INFORMATION  |  |          |  |  |
|--|---|--|----------|--|--|
| Company Name   | :   | State of Texas VID #:                    |          |  |  |
| Point-of-Contact                                       | <u> </u>  | Phone #:                                 |          |  |  |
| E-mail Address   | <u> </u>  | Fax #:                                   |          |  |  |
| Section B  | CONTRACTING STATE AGENCY AND REQUISITION INFORMATION  |  |          |  |  |
| Agency Name  | :   |  |          |  |  |
| Point-of-Contact                                       | :   | Phone #:                                 |          |  |  |
| Requisition #  | :   | Bid Open Date:                           |          |  |  |
| Section C  | SUBCONTRACTING OPPORTUNITY RESPONSE DUE DATE, DESCRIPTION, REQUIREM   | ENTS AND RELATED INFOR                   | MATION   |  |  |
|  | Our firm must receive your bid response to this subcontr  | acting opportunity                       | no later |  |  |
| 1.   | than 5:00 P.M., Central Daylight Standard Time on:  | P.M., Central Daylight Standard Time on: |          |  |  |
| Potential<br>Subcontractor's Bid<br>Response Due Date: | (Note: In accordance with 34 TAC §20.14, each notice of subcontracting opportunity shall be provided to <u>at least three (3</u> Texas certified HUBs, and allow the HUBs <u>at least seven (7) working days</u> to respond to the notice prior to submitting our bid response to the contracting agency. In addition, we must provide the same notice to minority/women trade organizations of development centers <u>at least seven (7) working days</u> prior to submitting our bid response to the contracting agency.) |  |          |  |  |
| 2.   |   |  |          |  |  |
| Scope of Work:   |   |  |          |  |  |
| 3.Required<br>Qualifications:<br>☐ - Not Applicable    |   |  |          |  |  |
| 4.Bonding/Insurance<br>Requirements:                   |   |  |          |  |  |
| - Not Applicable                                       |   |  |          |  |  |
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| 5.   |   |  |          |  |  |